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SUBJ: FINAL REPORT ON AMSPEC STANLEY HEYWOOD

1. DR. STANLEY OIYWOOD, EASTERN MONTANA COLLEGE, AMSPEC, CU/AF. "AMERICAN HIGHER EDUCATION" WS-00. PROJECT WS-03, "UNIVERSITY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRY," PARTIALLY FULFILLED.

2. QP-VG; ED-VG; AR-E; RO-G.

3. HEYWOOD DELIVERED SERIES OF SIX LECTURES, ABOUT 40 MINUTES EACH, SPONSORED BY INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION, U.SIERRA LEONE. AUDIENCE COMPOSED OF FACULTY AND STUDENTS FROM FBC AND MILTON MARGAI TEACHERS COLLEGE. RANGED IN NUMBER FROM 35 TO 250; TOTAL AUDIENCE 785.

B. 3 OF 6 LECTURES HELD FOR DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION STUDENTS; SMALL GROUPS 35-50. HEYWOOD GAVE EXCELLENT GENERAL DISCUSSION OF AMERICAN SYSTEM HIGHER EDUCATION. DESCRIBED WORK OF CARNEGIE COMMISSION (IN WHICH HE PARTICIPATED) IN RE-EXAMINING PURPOSE OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RECOMMENDING NEW GOALS AND METHODS OF ACHIEVEMENT. ALTHOUGH THIS NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO DEVEOOP-ING COUNTRIES, SUGGESTION WAS THAT THESE COUNTRIES MIGHT DO WELL TO RE-EXAMINE THEIR OPERATIONS IN TERMS OF GOALS TO BE REALIZED. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIODS THAT FOLLOWED INDICATED
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GENUINE INTEREST OF STUDENTS AND FACULTY IN U.S. EDUCATIONAL

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SYSTEM AND HOW THIS COULD BE ADAPTED FOR AFRICA.

C. LARGE PUBLIC LECTURES AT FBC AND MMTC DREW AUDIENCES FROM 150-250 VC STUDENTS AND FACULTY FROM ALL DEPARTMENTY. HEYWOOD GAVE GENERAL EXPLANATION OF U.S. UNIVERSITY SYSTEM EMPHASIZING THAT THER WAS NO CENTRALIZED AGENCY THAT EXERCISED RESPONSIBILITY SUCH AS A MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. HE DEALT WITH BARRIERS TO HIGHER EDUCATION SUCH AS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS AND BASIC TRAINING. INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT CHINESE STUDENTS AT FBC ATTENDED PUBLIC LECTURESK Q AND A SESSIONS INCLUDED A FEW QUESTIONS ON POLITICAL ISSUES SUCH AS ARAB-ISRAELI RELATIONS AND STATUS OF SOUTH AFRICA. AFTER MAKING CLEAR THAT HE WAS TALKING AS PRIVATE CITIZEN, NOT USG REPRESENTATIVE, HEYWOOD DEALT WITH QUESTIONS OBJECTIVELY AND SATISFACTORILY.

D. DR. HEYWOOD IS VERY ABLE LECTURER, THOROUGHLY CONVERSANT WITH SUBJECT. MAKES EXCELLENT IMPRESSION ON BOTH FACULTY AND STUDENTS. DELIVERY IS CLEAR AND LECTURES WELL STRUCTURED AND SUFFICIENTLY GENERAL TO INTEREST ENTIRE STUDENT BODY. ALTHOUGH HIS VISIT TOO EARLY TO TAKE PART IN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ON UNIVERSITY EDUCATION IN DEVELOPING COUNTRY AS REQUESTED WS-03 OF CPP, HIS DISCUSSION OF U.S. HIGHER EDUCATION VERY RELEVANT TO TEACHER EDUCATION OTKS COUNTRY.

4. AT SOCIAL FUNCTION HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR, PAO AND PRINCIPAL FBC, DR. HEYWOOD HIGHLY AGREEABLE GUEST, GOOD CONVERSATIONALIST AND DISTINCT ASSET IN ESTABLISHING TARGET AUDIENCE CONTACTS. SAMUELS

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